

Current Comment

Well, folks, another week has gone hurtling by and we're still at the old stand, considerably the worse for a bad case of spring fever. The smell of blossoms pervades the atmosphere, the little birds are singing their love songs, and the old man is out with his gardening tools. Motorists are getting the family bus re-tired and overhauled, the while they eye longingly far horizons. Everybody is suffering with itching feet and the universal craving is to go places. We would fain lock up the shop and get ourself hence, but alas, such is among the things we cannot do.

There are only two times a year when we wish for financial independence: in the summer, when we would like to see the world; and in the winter, when we don't feel like working anyway. The popular opinion is that possessors of independent means are habitually bored to death. If they are, it can only be because they lack even a small degree of imagination and originality.

What we need around here is a bit of rain. Precipitation is considerably below normal, and even less rain has fallen this year than we had in 1930. A good, competent rain-maker would find a ready market for his services in the Santa Clara valley.

Regardless of the shortage of rain, business is unquestionably on the up-grade. Cities and towns all over the Pacific slope report increased imports and exports, and cash seems to be loosening up a bit. Several billions of dollars, on deposit in coast banks, is going to be turned loose in the near future, principally because big stores will be forced to collect long past-due accounts from people who, in many cases, possess the money with which to meet their obligations, but who would rather allow their money to collect interest than to pay honest debts with it.

That such practice is in vogue would be hard to prove, but common sense and bank clearings tell us that something is amiss when people known to have means refuse to pay their bills until almost driven to it. Then and then only do many of them draw against a fat and lazy bank account in order to ward off unpleasant contact with credit men and collection agencies.

The foregoing conclusions are not drawn from our own experience particularly, but if you can get the manager of any large metropolitan store to talk you will probably hear our remarks substantiated.

The Geo. E. Hyde & Co. cannery, now the property of the American Trust company, lay idle last season, presumably because no market could be found for the plant. Consequently many local people, more or less dependent upon the operation of the cannery, experienced considerable hardship through their inability to secure other employment. It is a pretty safe bet that the bank is leaving no stone unturned in their search for a purchaser, and we hope they will find one who will operate this summer. It occurs to us that, if approached by a committee from the Chamber of Commerce, bank officials would doubtless sanction an effort on the part of that civic group to aid in the search for a suitable buyer for the plant. Now there may be something in this suggestion, and on the other hand it may not be as good as it sounds. It's up to the Chamber of Commerce.

And by the way, are you a member in good standing of that organization? If you

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Festival Dates Are Set For May 14-15-16

San Jose, March 17—The Santa Clara County Fiesta de las Rosas, outstanding floral event of northern California, will be held here May 14, 15 and 16, J. Elmer Morrish, local banker who has been named president of the Fiesta this year, announced yesterday.

The parade, which is the outstanding event of the fiesta each year, will be held on Saturday afternoon, the final day. It promises to be of even greater beauty and size this year than ever before in fiesta history, directors declare.

As an indication of this trend the directors point out that five floats have already been entered in the parade during the first week of preparation, which began a week ago with the opening of headquarters at 273 South First street in the heart of San Jose's business district. This is unusual as floats are seldom entered until a few weeks before the fiesta.

Floats are entered by the Soroptimist club, the 20-30 club, Merchants association, Chamber of Commerce and the Olmstead band.

Everything that has gone to make the fiesta a success during the last five years will be included in the coming event. The baby parade, in which scores of county youngsters were entered last year, will be held on Friday. The fiesta fandango, introduced last year as a downtown carnival after the parade, will be given new features for the coming event. The usual queen contest, dances and other attractions, will be included.

Local Grangers Are Strengthened With Ten New Members

A regular meeting of the Orchard City Grange was held last Tuesday evening at the Odd Fellows hall. A brief business meeting, conducted by the worthy master, preceded the lecture and social hour.

Featured in the lecture hour was J. D. Durksen, who gave an interesting talk of his trip to and his sojourn in the south sea islands. He gave a description of the natives and their customs, and his experiences among them.

The members were also entertained at this time by violin numbers by F. E. Carey who was supported by R. E. Hanson, flute, and Mrs. Carey, piano.

Ten new members were initiated into the first and second degrees of the lodge and will take the third and fourth degrees at an early meeting. This brings the membership list of the Grange up to more than 300, all in good standing. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 24.

are not, you should be ashamed of yourself. This applies particularly to business people, but suggestions, attendance—and dues—are welcomed from all quarters. If you are at all civic-minded there is no better way to show your patriotism than by becoming an active member of the Campbell Chamber of Commerce—and the expense is trifling.

That's all.

He's Gone



HIGH CONCERT AND GLEE SING FRIDAY EVENING

An interesting and entertaining program by the high school band, glee club and orchestra will be staged at the grammar school auditorium Friday night, March 20, at 8 o'clock. The young musicians and singers have been working hard and long on this entertainment, with Mr. Thielke, director of music, giving his best efforts to the assurance of its success.

It is reported by students that they are having a difficult time selling tickets for this entertainment. It seems that patrons of the school could display their interest in the institution in no better way than by supporting its affairs. Tickets may still be had from members of the student body. They are priced very reasonably, and should be exchanged for reserved seat tickets at no extra cost. Let everybody show the boys and girls that we're for them. Buy a ticket—two tickets!

Nite Fire Partially Destroys Latimer Avenue Home

Fire Thursday night gutted the basement and kitchen of the Carl Olsen home on Latimer avenue, with \$500 set as the amount of damage.

Mr. and Mrs. Olsen were away when the blaze was discovered by neighbors who quickly summoned Mr. Olsen. A winning fight against the flames was carried on by volunteer fire-fighters of the neighborhood.

DIST. DEPUTY TO BE HONORED BY REBEKAHS

Mrs. Lucy E. Brown, district deputy president, will make her official visit this evening to the Ada Rebekah lodge, when they have their regular meeting at the Odd Fellows hall.

On the program that has been arranged for this occasion will be several selections by Josephine LaBarbera, popular singer, who will be accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Percy Dunlap. A banquet precedes the program.

THE SPORT FORUM By DICK LYNDEN

Very extravagant profanity issued from at least two quarters on the Stanford campus last Thursday night, according to subtle but insistent rumors, as the Deke (Delta Kappa Epsilon) and Zeta (Zeta Psi) fraternal organizations were frustrated in plots to railroad members of their respective fraternities into the captaincy of Stanford's 1931 football team.

The Deke house, which has figured conspicuously in other intrigues, are alleged to have started the caballing by announcing a campaign for Ray Hulen, while Phil Moffat, also a Deke, and popular choice, declared his support for Hulen, at the same time refusing to contend for the honor. It is pointed out that, since the majority of eligible voters are divided between the two rival fraternities, Moffat's declining gesture was necessary to solidify the Deke vote and to gain the allegiance of those scattered interests which could swing the election to either quarter. Hulen was calculated to draw heavily from the hall factions, whereas if Moffat entered the race in place of Hulen, these votes would undoubtedly have been scored to Hillman, the Zeta candidate.

But the Zetes planned to split the hall groups by nominating Chuck Erhorn, Sigma Nu, who also had the possibilities of collecting various scattered votes from among the weaker fraternities which otherwise would have gone to Hulen. With Erhorn as a third party in the race, the situation seemed highly favorable to Zeta success, since Erhorn, as a lineman, promised to assimilate a deal of strength from the Hulen backing. (Neither tongue seems to have realized what a dangerous dark-horse was presented in Mr. Erhorn!)

Pop Warner, however, thwarted these elaborate preparations when he indefinitely postponed the election which he had announced Thursday morning. It is, of course, supposed that he received information concerning the political plots and immediately abandoned the notion of electing a captain at least for the present. This is the second postponement of (Continued on Page 2)

BLAZE SATURDAY NIGHT DESTROYS FANTOZZI HOME

A blaze Saturday night at about 8 o'clock resulted in the complete destruction of the A. C. Fantozzi home off McCoy avenue while the entire family was away, Mrs. Fantozzi and their two children visiting at Santa Cruz, while Mr. Fantozzi was working on a ranch near Saratoga.

The fire was discovered by neighbors who saved several outbuildings which contained fruit boxes and drying trays. Tank house and windmill went up in flames, and only a few pieces of furniture were rescued before the walls collapsed.

The blaze, which was witnessed by several hundred thrill-hunters, destroyed \$3,000 worth of property, according to Mr. Fantozzi.

Campbell Defeats S. F. DeMolay Ball Team 2-0 Sunday

Editor the Press:

Sunday we had a great ball game with the DeMolay team of San Francisco; it was some game, the score being 2-0 in our favor. The conduct of both teams on the field portrayed the highest type of sportsmanship. The DeMolay team is a bunch of fine, clean boys.

From all local fans I would like to ask for a bit of co-operation. It takes money to bring ball clubs such as the DeMolays, down to Campbell—so we ask your help.

Next Sunday the Campbell team is playing the Foster Lunch nine of San Francisco. They are rated as a very good team, and a real game is promised. Come out and help support your local team.

Our club is trying to bring to Campbell the best ball clubs in this part of the state, and to give the fans good games calls for co-operation and support of every lover of the game.

Mgr. Antone Ferro.

Friends will be pleased to learn that William Skiff, old timer of Campbell, now living in New York state, will spend the summer here.

15 Applicants Seek Campbell Nite Patrol Job

At a meeting Friday night Chamber of Commerce police committeemen, at the P. H. Dunlap home, refused to make public steps taken to formulate a satisfactory police patrol system for Campbell.

H. M. Shadle, Percy Dunlap and Horace Lea, detailed by Dr. Frank R. Anderson, Chamber of Commerce president, to solve the local police problem, declined to say anything for publication other than that they are working on a plan designed to provide protection 24 hours every day, and that they expected to accomplish this with all due economy.

The committee is entertaining no less than 15 applications for the job, and while out-of-town applicants will receive no consideration, according to Mr. Shadle, chairman, there still remains a confusing array of local men eager to secure the job. Several outsiders declared they were ready to move here with their families provided they were selected for the job. A long distance phone call from San Francisco conveyed another application, presented by a company specializing in patrol work, and committeemen say they expect momentarily to be approached by a "protection" racketeer.

The recommendation of the committee will be revealed at the next meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, at which all members of the body will be urged to be present.

Daughter Of A. M. Free Feted At Smart Washington Affair

The marriage recently of Miss Geraldine Free, daughter of Congressman and Mrs. Arthur M. Free, to Thomas W. Littlepage, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Littlepage of Washington, where the former is a prominent attorney, was the motif of a reception tea given Sunday afternoon, March 8, in the lobby of the apartment building where the Frees make their Washington home.

The list of those calling to congratulate the young people contains the names of many prominent in the federal government and Washington society. In the receiving line were the Hon. and Mrs. A. M. Free, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Littlepage, Jr., and the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Littlepage.

The marriage was the culmination of a romance which began at George Washington university, where both are students.

REBEKAH CARD PARTY TOMORROW AFTERNOON

The first of a series of card parties will be held tomorrow in the banquet room of the Odd Fellows hall by the Ada Rebekah lodge. Play begins at 2 o'clock.

The room has been very attractively decorated in green and white for St. Patrick's day. Refreshments will be served at the small tables which will also be decorated in green and white.

The party is a public affair, and attractive prizes will be awarded holders of high scores.

News Review of Current Events the World Over

Soviet Premier Attacks the United States and Secretary of State Stimson Begins Study of the Russian Question.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD



V. Molotov

MUCH attention is being paid these days to our relations with Russia, or the lack of them. In Moscow the opening session of the All-Union Soviet congress was aroused to wild enthusiasm by a violent attack on the United States—and incidentally all other "capitalistic" countries—delivered by Vyacheslav Molotov, president of the council of people's commissars, which means premier of the Soviet government.

Molotov characterized the lack of diplomatic relations with the United States as abnormal and as being part of a plot of European groups, headed by the Vatican, against Soviet Russia. He said that twenty countries are having satisfactory relations, except Poland, whose relations might be improved.

He denounced the charges of dumping and forced labor that have been made against the Soviet government, and declared the American "foolish fish bill" framed by Representative Hamilton Fish, Jr. after a congressional investigation into Communist activities—undoubtedly would affect trade relations between the two countries.

"America must remember," he declared, "that the imports of the Union of the Socialist Soviet Republics depend upon her exports."

The premier called the attention of the delegates to a statement by an American senator that "a thousand persons are starving to death daily in the United States." He asked the delegates to compare this situation to that in the U. S. S. R. where, he said, there was no unemployment and no starvation.

In Washington it was learned that Secretary of State Henry Stimson is now devoting most of his time to a careful study of the Russian question in all its phases, presumably at the request of President Hoover. That this indicated any important change of policy by the administration was considered unlikely by the well informed. Indeed, William R. Castle, acting secretary in the absence of Mr. Stimson, said that the latter's study had no significance beyond the fact that the secretary desired to inform himself more closely on the Soviet problem. Since becoming secretary, Mr. Castle pointed out, Mr. Stimson has been devoting his time to disarmament, Latin-American affairs, and other problems, leaving no time to study Russia.

From the statements of State department officials it was gathered that no consideration would be given to the suggestion that a separate division for Russia be established in the State department, and that there was nothing in the report that an assistant secretary of state would be appointed to handle Russian affairs. President Hoover has in the past stood firmly by the policy that there can be no recognition of Russia before the Soviet government agrees to recognize official and private obligations to this country and cease propaganda intended to overthrow the American government.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY Thomas C. T. Crain of New York county is liable to lose his job as a result of the exposures of corruption in the magistrates' courts of the metropolis. The City club through its officers filed formal charges against Crain, alleging inefficiency, incompetency and misfeasance in office, and asked that Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt remove him. The governor promptly appointed Samuel Seabury as special commissioner to investigate the charges and report back to him. If he sees fit the governor may remove Crain and name a successor to serve the remainder of the year. Seabury already has been serving as special referee investigating the magistrates' courts and will continue that work. It is expected that the Crain inquiry will lead into the police department and any other department of the city government or phase of political life which may be related to the district attorney's conduct of his office.

Republican leaders and others are urging that the legislature authorize a thorough nonpartisan investigation of the entire New York city government, and a mass meeting of citizens was called to promote that plan.

IT is understood now that the new naval treaty between France and Italy will be signed by only those nations and Great Britain. It will not be incorporated in the London naval treaty of 1930, but both pacts will run concurrently until 1936. Official expressions of approval of the convention will be asked of both the United States and Japan, but neither will be called on to sign it, because it

was recognized that this might embarrass them owing to the high submarine tonnage which the pact allows to France.

The London treaty as ratified by the American senate provides for 52,000 tons of submarines for the United States and Great Britain. The Franco-Italian-British agreement provides for 81,000 tons of submarines for the French navy. If this figure were to be inserted in the London treaty it is possible the higher tonnage would be questioned by the senate and the whole treaty would need the senate's consent again. This the administration desired to avoid. The same parliamentary reason applies to the case of Japan.

Arthur Henderson, British foreign secretary, made public the terms of the three-power accord in a long memorandum. They cover three outstanding considerations in the armaments situation. Technical problems of European naval power are swept away; renewal of an armaments race such as led to the World War has, it is hoped, been prevented; success of the world disarmament conference at Geneva next year is brought measurably closer.

The basis of the agreement as outlined is the detailing of the limits of both the French and Italian building programs in all fleet categories until 1936. It is estimated by naval experts that France will continue to hold a superiority of about 137,000 tons over the Italian fleet, although this is not stated explicitly in the memorandum.

ONE of the State department's most valuable men, Undersecretary Joseph Potter Cotton, died in Baltimore after a long illness and two severe operations for spinal infection. Mr. Cotton, who was fifty-five years old and a native of Rhode Island, worked under President Hoover when the latter was food administrator and later secretary of commerce. He was appointed to the State department post in 1929 and made a reputation for his frank and direct diplomatic methods.



Justice Holmes

speech, after listening to tributes of Chief Justice Hughes and others. Justice Holmes said, through the microphone:

"In this symposium my part is only to sit in silence. To express one's feelings as the end draws near is too intimate a task."

"But I may mention one thought that comes to me as a listener in," he added. "The riders in a race do not stop short when they reach the goal. There is a little finishing canter before coming to a standstill. There is time to hear the kind voices of friends and to say to one's self: 'The work is done.' But just as one says that the answer comes: 'The race is over, but the work never is done while the power to work remains.' The canter that brings you to a standstill need not be only coming to rest. It cannot be, while you still live. For to live is to function. That is all there is to living."

Next day Justice Holmes achieved his ambition of handing down a decision after he was ninety. In the Supreme court ruled that within the meaning of the motor vehicle theft act an airplane is not a motor vehicle. It reversed the judgment passed on W. W. McBoyle of Galena, Ill., who was sentenced to imprisonment and fine for transplanting a stolen airplane from Illinois to Oklahoma. In the last paragraph Justice Holmes made the typical ruling that makers and constructors of criminal laws must play fair in marking out the line between right and wrong.

STEALING a march on the insurgent Republicans and Democrats, the Republican national committee announced the organization of an advisory council for agriculture, with Senator-Elect L. J. Dickinson of Iowa as its chairman. The other members are Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas and Representative Robert G. Simmons of Nebraska and Fred S. Purnell of Indiana. This council will have headquarters in Washington and in the West, and will immediately begin work in the corn and wheat belts. One of its purposes, it was stated, is to be the "dissemination of accurate information regarding the various constructive steps the administration has taken to aid the farmers and to save them from bankruptcy in this critical period of economic depression and drought."

Two days after this announcement was made, the insurgents opened their scheduled conference the purpose of which was to demonstrate that the Hoover administration did little if anything to re-

live the economic depression in the country. Five sessions were held, each devoted to discussion of a major topic. Senator Borah, who still advocates the export de-benture, presided over the session on farm relief; Senator Norris, chairman of the conference, presided over the public utilities session; Senator Cutting over the representative government session, and Senator-Elect Costigan of Colorado over that devoted to the tariff. All of these except Costigan are nominally Republicans.

REVERBERATIONS from the Democratic national committee meeting have not ceased, nor will they for a long time. Many Republicans were inclined to chortle over what looked like a big split in the Democratic party on the prohibition issue, but La Guardia of New York warned them against this attitude, asserting the Republican leaders had better take an inventory of their own party. He praised the Democrats for their courage in discussing prohibition in the open and urged the Republican national committee to follow suit.

"There is a determined movement within the ranks of the Republican party to vote wet in 1932," he said, "if the party refuses to meet the situation, and fails to present a plank which will end the present farce of prohibition and its many vicious ramifications."

"A dry Republican running on a dry platform with the present temper of the wets would be in danger of losing Illinois, 29 votes; Massachusetts, 18; New Jersey, 14; New York, 45; Rhode Island, 5; Wisconsin, 13; and Ohio, 24; thereby giving the wet Democratic candidate a total of 292 votes without taking into consideration the doubtful states. Only 268 electoral votes out of the 531 are sufficient to elect a President."



Empress Nagako

EMPIRESS NAGAKO of Japan has given birth to a daughter, her fourth, and the imperial family and the Japanese nation are rejoicing and celebrating. But the joy is mainly over the safety of the new princess and her mother, and there is little concealment of the disappointment that the child is not a son. The throne of Japan can pass only to male descendants of the sun goddess and Emperor Hirohito is yet without a direct heir to carry on the line that has been unbroken for many centuries. Prince Chichibu, the emperor's next younger brother, continues to be the heir presumptive.

PERU'S new provisional president is Lieut. Col. David Samanez Ocampo, and he has assumed the office in Lima after flying there from Arequipa. Ocampo was the head of the "southern junta" which was set up by Arequipa revolutionaries. He and his followers, to bring peace to the country, gave up their regime in favor of the new junta at the capital, and Ocampo was promptly put at the head of the government.

ONE more campaign issue was provided for the Democrats when President Hoover vetoed the Wagner bill for a reorganized employment service. Even if the measure is again introduced and passed by the next congress, the Democrats are sure to make the veto one of their principal talking points, claiming the bill should have been enacted and signed at the height of the business depression.

SECRETARY of the Interior William H. H. Wattis accepted the bid of the Six Companies, Inc., of San Francisco, which offered to build the Hoover dam, power house and appurtenant works at the Boulder canyon project for \$48,800,000. This huge engineering job, the biggest ever undertaken in the United States, will be directed for the present from a hospital in San Francisco, for William H. Wattis, president of the Six Companies, is confined in the institution. The entire project, including erection of a dam and power house, installation of machinery and building of a canal, is estimated to cost the tremendous total of \$165,000,000. Congress has already authorized expenditure of \$108,000,000 for the dam and appurtenant work.

REAR ADMIRAL SAMUEL McGowan, retired, appearing before the war policies commission that is now conducting hearings, advocated the adoption of a constitutional amendment to prevent the country from going to war without a referendum of its citizens. He added the amendment also should provide that if the referendum resulted in war every able-bodied male citizen between the ages of eighteen and thirty-five be drafted.

Chairman Johnson of the house veterans' committee and General Delahunt, former chairman of the War department board of contract adjustments, opposed the referendum plan as impracticable and unnecessary.

Bernard M. Baruch, who was chairman of the war industries board during the World War, proposed that, to prevent profiteering during a war, all prices should be fixed by Presidential proclamation at the prewar level.

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SPORT FORUM

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the election since the Dartmouth game.

That Pop is worried over the situation is no wonder. We recall the election following the 1928 season, in which the honor went to Biff Hoffman on a one vote margin over Don Robesky, a hall man. Robesky maintained that the Zete house had won the captaincy, not Hoffman, and thruout the succeeding year a good deal of injurious friction resulted. There are stories floating about the Stanford campus today which infer that Robesky never broke his neck to open a hole for Hoffman. Of course, Warner could appoint a captain for each game, but that would amount to practically the same thing.

Your California zealot will probably begin shouting the praise of the Bear's 1931 model track team (it's about that season), but a review of the material and times posted in their meet against a group of all-stars last Saturday is most tragically enlightening as to the real truth. Aside from the sensational 13 feet five and one-half inch vault recorded by Pool, the 202 feet toss by Churchill in the javelin, and the 9.9 hundred turned in by Sparkes, the results were anything but encouraging. But the circumstance of there being very little to cheer about has never before been known to silence a California zealot.

Ossie Kalas, former high school star under Coach Nod-

din, was recently elected captain of the San Jose State college basketball team for next year. Ossie is one of the fastest and most clever players ever seen in this district, and it is a favorable reflection upon his teammates that they have chosen such a capable leader. He has our best wishes for all the success in the world.

The stupidity of holding the Olympic trials in Chicago and the Games in Los Angeles several weeks following, becomes increasingly obvious as the collegiate track season swings under way, recalling memories of past misfortunes due to long, tedious trips. The cases of Rufus Kiser, Bud Spencer, Eric Krenz, and Earl Fuller have only too clearly demonstrated the inability of track athletes to withstand such hardships. If the I. C. 4A. meet could be designated for a trial, and that meet held at Berkeley, as has been proposed by Pacific coast athletic leaders, the thing could be worked out very nicely. The trouble is that Chicago seems to be greedy of the publicity it will gain by having the trials there—just as if Chicago did not get enough of that!

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TOWNSEND WILL OPEN FUEL AND FEED YARD APR. 1

The building on North Central avenue formerly occupied by the Central garage will, about the first of April, become headquarters for H. D. Townsend, who will operate his trucking and tractor business from there. In addition he will carry feed and fuel and operate a light truck for local service.

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HISTORY'S MYSTERIES

Unsolved Riddles That Still Puzzle Authorities Here and Abroad

The \$360,000 Necklace

Did Marie Antoinette, queen of France, cajole Cardinal de Rohan to such an extent that she was able to rob him of the famous diamond necklace which formed one of the causes leading up to the French revolution? If not, who was responsible for the scandal which broke with terrific violence over the French court and, finally, what became of the money received for the necklace itself?

These are questions which have excited the curiosity and speculation of hundreds of historians and novelists but which, despite the most rigid investigations, remain still unanswered, inextricably entwined with the sordid but spectacular story of Louis XV, Madame Du Barry, De Rohan, Madame Lamotte, and Marie Antoinette herself.

In 1774 Louis XV was infatuated with Madame Du Barry and, as an evidence of his affection, commissioned the court jeweler to collect the finest diamonds they could lay their hands on and fashion a necklace that would be absolutely unique. The jeweler exercised so much care in the selection of these stones that, before the necklace was completed, the king died. The work was so far advanced, however, that the gorgeous piece was finished at a cost of some \$360,000—equivalent at the present time to practically \$1,000,000—in the hope that it could be sold to Louis XVI for his queen.

Then suddenly Jeanne de Valois (Madame Lamotte) came upon the scene and hoodwinked Cardinal de Rohan—arch-enemy to the queen—into believing that she was Marie Antoinette's most intimate friend. Lamotte even signed spurious notes with the queen's name and worked upon the ambition of the cardinal until De Rohan believed that she had succeeded in overcoming Marie Antoinette's hostility toward him. Finally Lamotte risked a note to the cardinal—a communication which was supposed to have come directly from the queen of France—commissioning him to borrow 600,000 francs for a certain charitable purpose, the money to be transmitted to the queen through Madame Lamotte. The cardinal borrowed the money and turned it over to the intermediary. A second loan of an equal amount was also obtained and with the money the Lamottes furnished one of the most magnificent houses in the capital and financed themselves for a round of ceaseless gaieties.

The success which had attended this scheme evidently led Jeanne Lamotte to believe that she could put through one of the most daring frauds in history—the theft of the almost priceless diamond necklace which had become a white elephant on the hands of the court jeweler. Jeanne therefore insinuated to Cardinal de Rohan that Marie Antoinette wished to purchase the necklace for her own use, but that she particularly desired that the king know nothing of the transaction, adding that if the cardinal would attend to the details of the transaction it would entirely reinstate him in royal favor. De Rohan hastened to fulfill the mission and, on February 1, 1775, the necklace passed into his hands and his note was accepted by the jeweler for the entire purchase price—it being understood (thanks to Lamotte's intrigues) that the transfer was being made with the full approval of the queen.

The necklace was to be delivered to Marie Antoinette by the cardinal on the eve of a grand fete at which the queen was expected to wear it, and the casket containing the jewels was taken to the home of the Lamottes, by whom it was to be handed to the queen's messenger. Still further to dup the cardinal, Jeanne Lamotte employed an actress to impersonate Marie Antoinette and, because of the heavy veil which the substitute wore, De Rohan believed that he had actually had an interview with the queen herself.

Lamotte then dispatched her husband to London with the necklace, where it was broken up and the stones sold separately. Unfortunately for the plans of the adventurers, however, the trick was discovered when the jeweler wrote to the queen, thanking her for purchasing the diamonds. Marie Antoinette at once demanded an explanation of their statement and then asked for the original copy of the agreement. De Rohan was immediately arrested and sent to the Bastille, to be followed shortly afterward by Madame Lamotte and a number of her accomplices. But this by no means ended the case, because the actions of Marie Antoinette were so strange and her explanations so strained that many historians have expressed the belief that she herself was more or less interested in the matter and that she had profited directly by the sale of the stones. Regardless of this phase of the matter, however, the affair of the queen's necklace remains one of the most absorbing intrigues as well as one of the most mysterious romances of a court noted for its plots and counterplots.

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Poor Gabriel!

Betty was being carefully trained in the history and the meaning of Easter. The teacher had told her that on Easter morn the angel blew his horn.

Betty was delighted with the idea. Then she had a cold in her head.

Easter morning her mother said: "Now, Betty, what was it the angel blew on Easter morn?"

"Don't know, mother, 'less it was his nose."

Local Happenings

A regular meeting of the We and Our Neighbors club will be held Saturday, March 21. Mrs. William Riggs is chairman of the program committee.

Mrs. S. N. Hedegard entertained the members of the Grange Auxiliary at a tea Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Frank R. Anderson entertained the members of the Ada Rebekah Stitching club at her home on Campbell avenue Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Ernest Snow was co-hostess.

Miss Louise Mahan of Palo Alto is visiting with Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Bennett and Nellie Mills this week.

J. H. Lancaster, who has been a hospital patient for some time, is convalescing at his home on Central avenue.

A group of Boy Scouts, accompanied by Rev. J. H. Bennett, scoutmaster, hiked to Guadalupe creek Saturday morning and came back that evening. Tests in nature study and cooking were their objectives.

Mrs. Rose Hanger spent the week-end at her cottage in Seabright.

Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Hedegard were business visitors in San Francisco Friday.

Mrs. Virginia Hamilton of Los Angeles was a recent visitor at the L. J. Carboni home.

Miss Mary Woodbury, teacher at Oakland, was recently visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Woodbury.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Miller at the San Jose hospital, Saturday morning, a son.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Miranda of Latimer avenue, Wednesday, a daughter.

Miss Maybelle Green motored over from Santa Cruz last Wednesday evening to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry White.

Harry Voss has returned to Campbell after several months spent working on the O'Connell ranch near Morgan Hill.

John Abinante of Central avenue yesterday purchased a new Ford two-door sedan from Dunlap & Smiley.

Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Townsend were recent visitors in San Francisco with the former's sister, Alice Townsend. They also visited their daughter, Ruth, who is attending U. C. at Berkeley.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bachman will entertain at a dinner this evening in honor of their son, Buddy, who is 12 years old today. Present besides the immediate family will be Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clark and their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Clark. The table will be decorated in green and white for St. Patrick's day.

A business and social meeting of the Congregational Guild will be held at the

church Thursday, March 19. The business meeting will convene promptly at 2:30 and will be followed by a program and refreshments. The autumn group will act as hostesses. All ladies of the congregation are invited.

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Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Dunlap, and son, Dr. and Mrs. F. R. Anderson and children, Miss Gertrude Boehme and Carl Johnson spent Sunday at the Dunlap cottage at Redwood Estates.

Miss Ruth Townsend, student at U. C., visited her parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Townsend, over the week-end. She also enjoyed a visit with members of the Allen society of the state college, of which she is an alumnus.

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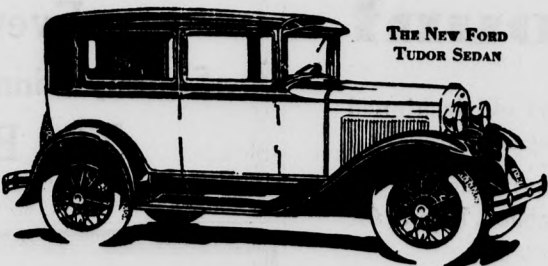
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NOTICE is hereby given to the Electors of Campbell Elementary School district of Santa Clara County, California, that the Annual Election for School Trustee will be held on March 27, 1931 (last Friday), at Campbell Union Grammar School.
There will be two trustees to elect for three years.
The polls will be open between the hours of one o'clock P. M. and six o'clock P. M.
The officers appointed to conduct the election are:
Guy Farley, Inspector; Mrs. Dora Ross, Judge; Mrs. Edith Barker, Judge.
Signed,
LLOYD GARDNER,
Clerk.
Campbell Elementary School Dist. Dated March 2, 1931. (25-6-7-8)

INITIAL CLASS OF DANCING SCHOOL WELL ATTENDED

Last Wednesday afternoon at the community hall Miss Adelle Roberts, daughter of Mrs. Lillian Roberts of the grammar school faculty, opened her dancing school for children with a free lesson to all who attended. Despite the inclemency of the weather about 50 children, accompanied by their mothers, were present to receive this instruction. A number of pupils signed up for the regular Wednesday afternoon classes, and it is expected that the school will grow in popularity.

NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR HIGH SCHOOL TRUSTEES
Notice is hereby given to the electors of Campbell, Hamilton, San Tomas, Meridian, Union, Cambrian, and Moreland Elementary School Districts, of Santa Clara County, California, that the annual election of High School Trustees for Campbell Union High School will be held on the last Friday in March; namely, March 27th, 1931. It will be necessary to elect two trustees at large for three years. The polls will be open between the hours of one o'clock P. M. and six o'clock P. M. The place of voting for Campbell, Hamilton, San Tomas and Meridian Districts will be the Campbell Union Grammar School. The officers appointed to conduct the election are G. E. Farley, Inspector, Arva Knowles, Judge, and W. R. Coupland, Judge.
The places of election for the Moreland, Union and Cambrian Districts are the school houses in said districts. Officers for Cambrian district are Belle Hocking, Inspector, Violet R. Bohnett, Judge, and Marie Fannatire, Judge. Officers for Union District are Emma Ridley, Inspector, Cora Todd, Judge, and Elma Howes, Judge. Officers for Moreland District are Ada Stuart, Inspector, Minnie Santos, Judge, and Mrs. S. Sunzeri, Judge.
Dated Feb. 24, 1931.
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James A. Kidward
Carl B. Field
F. W. Mitchell, Clerk.
(25-26-27-28)

NOTICE OF ELECTION
Notice is hereby given that an election will be held by the voters of the Campbell Fire District, (bounded and described by that certain instrument filed on the 20th day of February, 1918, in the office of the County Recorder of Santa Clara County at San Jose, California) on the sixth day of April, 1931, at the Campbell Fire House, for the purpose of electing one commissioner to serve for the period of a two year term and one commissioner to serve for the period of a three year term.
Polls open at 12 M., and close at 5 P. M.
Ralph Hyde, W. T. Alexander, Guy Farley, judges.
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W. H. Stray,
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(26-7-8-9)

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Harry C. Smith,
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Dated March 14, 1931.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

By Helen Gartner

"The Boy Comes Home" was presented by the Dramatic club for the student body last Tuesday morning. Those taking part in the production were Franklin Murch, Marjorie Keesling, Louis Mammini, Lorena Wingard and Lois Lloyd.

Vivian Hornberger, one of our alumni, has left California to be with her father in Nebraska.

Team and various other group pictures will be taken next Wednesday.

The boys' tennis team will compete with Santa Clara next Tuesday at Santa Clara.

Starting the baseball season off right, our boys are scheduled to play Santa Clara next Friday immediately after school. The game will be held at Santa Clara.

Plans are being made for the mothers' tea to be given by our Girls' league April 17.

Six girls were awarded their G. P. A. L. emblems last Wednesday. They were: Emma Dober, Catherine Hobe, Gertrude Smith and Irene Zwink. Della Del Grande was awarded a chevron.

Under the supervision of Mrs. Rae the girls have organized a "Poets" club. Those wishing to join must be genuinely interested in poetry, possess some ability to write, and willing to write one poem a week. Some real talent has already been revealed thru this club.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. E. R. KENNEDY

Forty members and their guests were present at a meeting of the Young Women's Service club at Mrs. E. R. Kennedy's new home on Winchester road Saturday. A delightful luncheon was served outside in the patio, which was followed by a business meeting indoors. Reports and plans were made at this time. It was decided that the club will serve the P. T. A. banquet April 13. They will also assist the Ladies Aid of the Methodist church with a tea to be given by Mrs. J. C. Ainsley Tuesday, March 24.

The afternoon was spent sewing on baby clothes to have on hand for any needy family. Several games were played, and adding to the afternoon's enjoyment were several selections sung by Josephine LaBarbera, accom-

KIWANIS NOTES

By Heck

Vincent Wright, member of the Kiwanis California-Nevada district conservation committee was speaker at Kiwanis luncheon last week. He presented a very practical plan for a barge canal from the Suisun basin to San Diego through Santa Clara and Salinas valleys down the coast. At present the south receives only one per cent of the state's rainfall and the great watersheds of northern California are pouring 50,000,000 acre feet of water into the Pacific annually. The Suisun basin is a natural storage tank for this vast seasonal flood which carries thousands of tons of rich fertilizer in the form of silt deposit to the ocean. This alluvial deposit is the very wealth of the great Imperial valley as taken from the Colorado river. Today much more water and deposit is borne away through this northern flood.

One of the greatest arguments in favor of this plan is the fact that the "solid south" would support it and all the state be benefitted. A branch canal could be run down the west side of the San Joaquin valley where water is also badly needed. A salt water barrier in San Pablo bay or Carquinez straits would stop the waste. This canal with a main artery highway made of the excavated earth would pay for itself in time by tonnage or tolls, not taxes.

The Watsonville club will be our guests April 7, and will bring the program with them.

CONGREGATIONAL GUILD MEETS WITH MRS. LUSHER

An announcement was made at the meeting of the spring division of the Congregational Guild at the home of Mrs. B. Lusher that this section will sponsor the appearance of the "Verse Speaking Choir" of the San Jose State college in the grammar school auditorium Friday evening, April 17. The members of this division will serve a public dinner in

panied by Mrs. Savaker. During the afternoon Mr. Savaker sang to the guests from KQW.

The next meeting of the club will be held with Mrs. C. E. York, Mrs. H. F. Evans and Mrs. Lohr will assist her. It will be an all-day meeting, and each member is asked to bring either a salad or sandwiches for the table.

the cafeteria of the grammar school preceding the appearance of the choir.

More announcements of this entertainment will follow when arrangements have been completed. Mrs. F. H. Cutting is chairman of the spring group and was instrumental in securing such fine entertainment for the people of Campbell.

Dr. and Mrs. F. R. Anderson attended an annual medi-

cal men's banquet in San Francisco Saturday night.

Mrs. Frank Nash of Berkeley is a guest at the George Parso home on Hamilton avenue. Mrs. Evangeline Beatty of San Francisco is also a guest.

Elmer Hoerler, employed at the Service Garage, spent several days last week at the Ford training school in San Francisco.

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